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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Examiner's Action mailed February 16, 1999, be extended for three months to and including June 16, 1999.

Enclosed is a check for \$870.00 for the required fee. If there are any other charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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